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STRANDED RNA MEDIATED
CELL KILLING §

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ELECTION

Sir:

This is in response to the United States Patent and Trademark Restriction Office Action mailed September 11, 2007, which response is being made on or before October 11, 2007, and for which no extension of time fee is due.

Applicants hereby elect **Group II**, namely **Claims 96-98**, drawn to a method of killing a specific target cell and/or tissue comprising exposing the specific target cell and/or tissue to a composition-of-matter comprising a double stranded RNA molecule associated with a targeting moiety capable of targeting to a specific cell and/or tissue type.

Applicants reserve the right to file, at a later date, additional divisional applications claiming priority from the present application which are directed to the non-elected Group.

Respectfully submitted,

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